

RHyme TIME

Good Books

<i>Big Fat Hen</i>	Baker	BB or E BAK
<i>Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear</i>	Hague	E HAG
<i>Humpty Dumpty and Other Nursery Rhymes</i>		BB HUM
<i>Little Miss Muffet & Other Nursery Rhymes</i>		BB LIT
<i>My Very First Mother Goose</i>	Opie	ENF 398.8 MY
<i>The Itsy Bitsy Spider</i>	Siomades	BB SIO
<i>Wee Willie Winkie and other Rhymes</i>	Wells	BB WEE

Songs & Rhymes

PAT-A-CAKE

Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man;
Bake me a cake as fast as you can.
Roll it and pat it and mark it with a B.
Put it in the oven for Baby and me.

TEDDY BEAR, TEDDY BEAR

Teddy bear, teddy bear, turn around
(roll baby's hands)
Teddy bear, teddy bear, touch the ground.
(pat the ground)
Teddy bear, teddy bear, hug me tight,
(give baby a hug)
Teddy bear, teddy bear, say goodnight.
(kiss baby)

ROW YOUR BOAT

*(Rock baby while singing this song.
On the last line, hug and kiss baby.)*

Row, row, row your boat,
Gently down the stream.
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily,
Life is but a dream.

HICKORY DICKORY DOCK

Hickory, dickory, dock (clap hands)
The mouse ran up the clock.
(raise baby's arms above head)
The clock struck one, *(kiss baby)*
The mouse ran down,
(bring arms back down)
Hickory, dickory, dock. *(clap hands)*
Repeat with legs

HUMPTY DUMPTY

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall.
(sit baby on your raised knees)
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
(open knees and lower baby to floor)
All the king's horses and all the king's men
couldn't put Humpty together again.
(slowly lift baby up to start again)

PEAS PORRIDGE HOT

(pat lap, clap hands, & tickle baby in rhythm)
Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold,
Peas porridge in the pot, nine days old.
Some like it hot, some like it cold,
Some like It in the pot, nine days old.

Fun Activities to Do With Your Baby at Home

3+ months

Hold your baby and sing a song such as “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.” Sing the song to her in different voices, sometimes high and sometimes low. Change the position that you sing to her such as over one shoulder and then over the other shoulder.

Skill developed – differentiating sounds

6+ months

Use a pie pan and a spoon to make music. Hit the spoon on the pie pan a few times and then let the baby do it. As he hits the pan, sing a familiar song like “Row, Row, Row Your Boat” or “Mary had a Little Lamb.” As the baby hits the pan, clap your hands and sing.

Skills developed – listening, rhythm

9+ months

Choose three songs that your baby likes to sing. Clap hands as you sing one of the songs and clap your baby’s hands as you sing the song again. Choose a second song and shake bells to the music. Sing the song again and let your baby shake the bells. Pick a third song and hit a wooden spoon against a metal pot. Repeat the song while your baby uses the spoon.

Skills developed: imitation, rhythm

*Silbert, Jackie. Games to Play with Babies, 3rd. ed. Beltsville, MD: Gryphon House, Inc. 2001.

Check out these great audios, DVD’s & videos...

The Baby Record

CD-E 782.42 BAB

Includes bouncy rhymes, finger and toe plays, actions rhymes, and great songs.

Wee Sing Nursery Rhymes

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Baby Einstein

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